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DEMAND RECALL, CITY MANAGER, SHORT BALLOT

On top of arrests of che-fa gamblers almost every day, and in spite of the fact that practically all of the men arrested are convicted, evidence has been laid before the Civic Federation to show that che-fa is on the increase in Honolulu, say the members. They have, however, no direct evidence, the Star-Bulletin learned today.

At a meeting yesterday the executive committee of the Civic Federation passed the following resolution, asking the recall, a city manager and a short ballot.

"Whereas the legislature of 1914 provided for a convention to revise the charter of the city and county of Honolulu, and such a convention is now in session and has about completed its labors, and

"Whereas, a majority of the members of the said convention has recommended a charter that in the opinion of this committee contains features not in the interest of good government, and against efficiency and economy in its management, and embracing too many details that should be fixed by ordinance,

"Resolved by the executive committee of the Civic Federation that this committee desires to go strongly on record as favoring the short ballot, the recall and the city manager, and protest against final adoption by the convention of a new charter for the city and county of Honolulu not embracing these features."

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ACHI GETS FIGURES TO PROVE HOW PRESENT CHARTER RUNS UP EXPENSE

That salary charges in the city departments has increased at an unwarrantable rate under county government, due largely to the present elective system, is the declaration of W. C. Achi, backed up by figures he secured from the auditor's office this morning.

"The figures show that the heads of departments, after being elected for a two-year term, run their salary expenses up to unreasonable figures and that ever since county government was established the department expenses have been increasing," he said today. "Furthermore, for the first six months of 1915 the expenses show a big jump--due to salaries alone."

Mr. Achi will lay these figures before the delegates to the charter revision convention, in which he is advocating a short-ballot charter of commission form. The figures are as follows:

	Clerk.	Auditor.	Treasurer.	Attorney.
1906 (6 months)	\$1,832.65	\$1,450.00	\$1,800.00	\$4,040.00
1906	4,898.25	3,240.00	3,840.00	9,590.00
1907	5,461.97	3,295.00	3,895.00	11,461.36
1908	5,638.50	3,386.65	3,943.30	12,368.30
1909	6,715.45	4,196.65	3,710.75	10,107.00
1910	7,580.00	6,375.00	3,900.00	10,990.00
1911	8,300.00	6,800.00	7,122.50	11,440.00
1912	8,640.00	7,185.84	7,200.00	12,210.00
1913	8,740.00	6,707.50	7,750.00	12,335.00
1914	8,602.50	7,376.75	8,015.00	12,037.00
1915 (6 months)	4,620.00	4,350.00	4,125.00	7,316.65
	\$71,009.32	\$54,313.39	\$55,301.65	\$112,912.31

CALIFORNIA LIVES IN FEAR OF BAD FLY PEST

That a more rigid fruit quarantine than the one already in force may have to be established by California against the Mediterranean fruit fly, was the statement made by Dr. L. O. Howard, chief entomologist of the United States department of agriculture, on his return to the mainland from an inspection trip to Hawaii, says a recent edition of the California Fruit News, published in San Francisco.

The Fruit News quotes Dr. Howard as saying that the Mediterranean fruit fly has never been eradicated in any country where it has appeared. "It is a pest," he says, "which all means have failed to subdue, and if it ever gets a foothold in California it means the end of the fruit industry."

Public nonirrigable lands in Washington totaling 120,000 acres will be opened to entry in September.

PUNAHOU MOTHERS WILL BEGIN MEETING MONDAY

Punahou Mothers' Association members are planning to resume their activities for this school year. The first meeting will be held next Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the Charles R. Bishop Hall. Mrs. D. L. Withington, president of the association, is calling the meeting.

In addition to the opportunity which this will give for old and new mothers informally to get acquainted, the plan of work for the year will be considered. A number of questions left over from last year and new questions present themselves for early consideration.

TASHIRO FINISHES HIS WORK AT KANEOHE BAY

Prof. Siro Tashiro returned from Kaneohe bay Tuesday and left early yesterday for Niu bay on the other side of the island where he will continue his investigations on the relation of sea water to the human blood. Prof. Tashiro expects to complete his investigation today as he leaves on the Chiyu Maru Friday for Japan.

Pennsylvania Railroad officials placed a ban on war talk by their employees.

OUTLINES PLANS FOR COMMISSION ON WATER SUPPLY

In a detailed plan outlined for the purpose of carrying out the work of the city water commission upon an efficient basis, L. A. Thurston, chairman of the committee, will offer his suggestions to that body tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in the rooms of the public utilities commission.

This is to be the second meeting of the commission since its appointment by Mayor Lane some time ago. At the first meeting which was held for the purpose of organization, Mr. Thurston was unable to be present, so that tomorrow's session will represent his first formal meeting with the commission members.

"The conclusion and recommendations of this commission will express the opinions of its members," says Mr. Thurston in his report, "and must stand or fall on their merits."

"The report of the commission should be based, however, on a full statement of facts, set forth so clearly as to enable the general public and those who come hereafter, to check the conclusions of the commission."

Mr. Thurston urges care and precision therefore upon his members in outlining their work. He suggests obtaining data under five different heads, namely, surface waters and springs on the northerly shed of Oahu; artesian water and pumping plants; water available by tunneling; storage and distribution reservoirs and sites and filter and purification plants.

Orange, N. J., hatters barred straw hats and caps from their Labor Day procession, compelling all members to wear hats of their own manufacture.



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